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In re Application of:

HISASHI NARIMATSU ET AL.

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Sir:

Applicants, having filed a Notice of Appeal on February 17, 2005, hereby respond to the Office Action dated September 29, 2004 (Paper No. 20040923), in the above-identified application, as follows: